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DEVICE INCLUDING THIS BRUSH)

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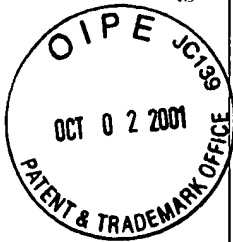
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Copies of the listed documents are attached. Also enclosed is a copy of a French Search Report from a counterpart French application and a copy of an EPO Search Report from a counterpart European application.



With respect to the non-English language documents, Applicant submits the following remarks:

1. **FR 2 605 505** - An English language abstract of this document is submitted herewith. Additionally, this reference is believed to be a counterpart of U.S. Patent No. 4,898,193, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.
2. **FR 2 715 038** - An English language abstract of this document is submitted herewith. Additionally, this reference is believed to be a counterpart of U.S. Patent No. 5,542,439, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.
3. **JP 5-88410** - This reference was cited during prosecution of the application leading to U.S. Patent No. 5,918,994, (i.e., U.S. Application No. 08/863,193), for which reissue is being sought via the present application.
4. **JP 6 237818** - An English language abstract of this reference is attached.
5. **JP 8-33518** - An English language abstract of this document is submitted herewith. Additionally, this reference is believed to be a counterpart of U.S. Patent No. 5,542,439, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached Form PTO 1449.

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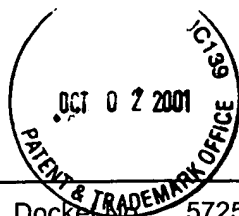
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